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12 July 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR:

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SUBJECT:

Dong Anh Electric Power Substation  
as Target Suitable for US Air Strikes in North  
Vietnam

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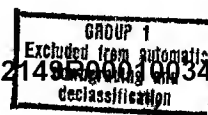
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25X1A The attached assessment of the Dong Anh power substation is intended to stress the importance of this facility to North Vietnam. The substation is a vital component of Hanoi's electric power supply and the present time is considered propitious for a strike against it. The Hanoi area has already suffered the destruction of an oil storage terminal which was the second largest in the country and which served as the hub for distribution of oil to other areas in the country. Loss of the electric power substation would prolong, and greatly intensify, a shortage of power in Hanoi that has restricted power supplies since late April 1966. This loss will deny power to industry and to the populace. Such further harassment would make life and operation of government in the capital more difficult and might contribute to further dissatisfaction with continuing the present conflict.

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Attachment:

(1) Dong Anh Electric Power Substation

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